GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:24
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Houses for All in Rural Areas
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to construct houses in rural areas under various schems, including the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) for homeless in the country including Uttar Pradesh, and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the expenditure incurred under the said schemes in various States during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) whether the Union Government has chalked out any action plan to construct houses for all families in rural areas by 2020 and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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Statement referred to in reply to parts (a), (b) and (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 24 for answer on 17.11.2016.

(a), (b) and(c) : To pursue the objective of 'Housing for All by 2022' as envisioned by the Government, the Union Cabinet approved re-structuring of the erstwhile rural housing scheme Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) into Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana -Gramin (PMAY-G)) all over the country including Uttar Pradesh. The Scheme envisages construction of one crore houses in three years from 2016-17 to 2018-19.

House construction is not a permissible activity under MGNREGS Scheme, however, under PMAY-G convergence with MGNREGS has been made mandatary in the form of 90/95 days of unskilled labour wages for construction of house. Besides this , Rs. 12,000/- for construction of toilet, which is integral part of the house, can also be provided from MGNREGS funds or Swachh Bharat Mission(Gramin) or any other dedicated financial source. These benefits are provided over and above the scheme assistance of Rs. 1.20 lakh in plain areas and Rs. 1.30 lakh in hilly States, difficult areas including IAP districts under PMAY-G.

A statement indicating funds released under IAY State/UT-wise for last three years is given in the Annexure-I.

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